

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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November 6, 2017

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

Subject: Invitation to Bid on Purchase Order Contract

County: Buncombe

Project Description: Vegetation Management (Clearing)

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is requesting bids for vegetation management (clearing) type work in Buncombe County. The Contractor is to furnish labor, materials, equipment, and traffic control.

The availability date for this project is **January 3, 2018**

The completion date for this project is April 20, 2018

In order for all prospective bidders to have an extensive knowledge of the project, all prospective bidders shall attend a mandatory pre-bid conference on Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at 10:00AM at the NCDOT Division 13, District I Office located at 3931 NC 226 South, Marion, NC 28752 as described in the proposal.

Sealed bids must be received in the NC Department of Transportation Division Office at 55 Orange Street, Asheville, NC 28801 by 2:00PM on Wednesday, December 6, 2017. Bids must be submitted on the official bid sheet included in the proposal and display the following statement on the front of the envelope:

QUOTATION FOR DM11748994 – VEGETATION MANAGEMENT (CLEARING) IN BUNCOMBE COUNTY, TO BE OPENED AT 2:00PM ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017 ATTN: MIKE CALLOWAY, DIVISION PROJECT MANAGER

Website: www.ncdot.gov

Firms that wish to perform work on Division Purchase Order Contracts as either the prime contractor or as a subcontractor on the project must be prequalified for the type work they wish to perform. Firms that wish to bid on these projects as the prime contractor must be prequalified <u>prior to submitting your bid</u>. Firms that wish to perform as a subcontractor to the prime contractor must be prequalified <u>prior to beginning work</u> on the project.

Any firm that wishes to bid as a prime contractor shall be prequalified as a Bidder or PO Prime Contractor prior to submitting a bid. Information regarding prequalification can be found at: https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/Prequal/Pages/default.aspx.

If you are unsure as to whether your firm is currently prequalified by the Department by the Contractual Services Unit, a search of the Directory of Transportation Firms can be performed at the following website:

https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/vendor/directory/

It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to check our website for any addenda prior to submitting their bids. For each addendum issued, bidders are directed to sign the addendum acknowledgement form located in the contract proposal.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights of 1964 (78 Stat.252) and the Regulations of the Department of Transportation (49 C.F.R., Part 21), issued pursuant to such act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this notice will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, color, or national origin.

Statements of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises participation must be presented with the bids.

Proposals may be obtained online at: https://connect.ncdot.gov/letting/Pages/Letting-List.aspx?let_type=13 or from the Division Engineer's office at 55 Orange Street, Asheville, NC 28801. To be considered for award, proposals obtained from the Departments website shall be printed in their entirety and submitted per the Instruction to Bidders directions. For all other request for proposals, please contact Mr. Eddie Douglas, Division Staff Engineer at (828) 251-6171.

Cordially,

—DocuSigned by:

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Division Project Manager

cc: Mr. J.J. Swain, Jr., P.E., Division Engineer

Mr. M.T. Gibbs, P.E., Division Maintenance Engineer

Mr. T.S. Wilson, PLS, District Engineer

Mr. S.H. Killough, County Maintenance Engineer